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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 22, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2007, for which the date for response is December 26, 2007 in view of the enclosed request for extension of time and fees and December 22 falling on a Saturday. No additional fees are believed due in connection with this submission. However, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees that may become due for this case under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP Deposit Account No. 19-3140/11000023-2232/MONS:132US. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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Applicants' **Remarks** begin at page 5 of this paper.